

St. Elizabeth Parish

May 31, 2009
Pentecost Sunday



St. Elizabeth Church

Main at 75th Street • Kansas City, MO 64114
Web site: stekc.org

Parish Staff

Rev. Terry Bruce, *Pastor*ext. 3403
Deacon Don Schmit, *Deacon Emeritus*
Deacon Mike McLean, *Pastoral Minister*
Deacon Charlie Cecil, *Pastoral Minister*
Mrs. Sandy Nickel, *School Principal*
Mrs. Kathy McShane, *Assistant Principal*
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Mrs. Eileen Iammartino, *DRE*.....ext. 3417
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Sunday Masses

Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 7:30, 10:00 am

Weekday Masses

Monday—Friday 7:00 am
Wednesdays 8:30 am (school students attend)
Tuesday & Thursday 11:30 am

Reconciliation

Individual Confessions
Saturday: 3:00 – 4:00 pm
Seasonal Communal Penance Services

Parish Office Hours

Monday–Friday: 9:00 am – 4:30 pm (*And by appointment*)
Office Phone.....523-2405
Rectory..... 523-2155

Our Mission Statement

St. Elizabeth Catholic Parish answers the call of God to further His kingdom on earth through celebrating the sacred Liturgy and in building community through service.

School of Religion Altar Server Training

Training for new altar servers will take place this summer for all parish children in grades 5-8. If your child attends the School of Religion and would like to participate in this training, please contact Susie Adams, 816.523.2405, x 3408 to register or for more information. Registration deadline is June 1st.

School of Religion Registration

Registration for next fall's School of Religion, religious education for children in grades 1-8 who do not attend St. Elizabeth School, is now underway. Contact Eileen Iammartino at 816.523.2405, ext 3417 to register or for more information

First Reconciliation and First Eucharist

If your child does not attend St. Elizabeth's School and you are interested in having him/her prepare for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist, please contact Eileen Iammartino at 816.523.2405, x 3417 to register your child for St. Elizabeth School Of Religion.

Breaking Open the Word Volunteers Needed

Breaking Open the Word is an age-appropriate celebration of the Liturgy of the Word for children grades K-2 that takes place on Sunday during the 10am Mass. A small team of dedicated parents have been doing a wonderful job leading this ministry, but we need more help. For this worthwhile ministry to continue at St. Elizabeth's, we need additional volunteer leaders. Leaders are trained, given materials and support, and conduct one session every 4-6 weeks. Dads are welcome, too! Contact Eileen Iammartino at 523.2406, x 4317 for additional information.

BOW Takes a Summer Break

Breaking Open the Word for children in grades K-2 will conclude for the summer this Sunday, May 31. It will resume at the 10am Mass next fall on September 13. See additional bulletin item for information on how to become a BOW volunteer.

Want to be a Lector for Mass?

Have you ever thought about becoming a Lector for Mass? If so, please contact Susie Adams in the Parish Office. She will be happy to help you discern your interest in this very important ministry. The parish offers formation and training for those who are called to be a Lector. We are always in need of voices dedicated to proclaiming our sacred scriptures.

Preparation for Infant Baptism

Our next Baptismal Preparation session will be Thursday, June 18th, 7:30 to 8:45 pm in the Parish Ministry Center. If you are a registered parishioner and wish to attend this session call Sandi at 523.2405.



Friendship Club

An outing in the park (Lake Jacomo)...summer breezes.. a ride on the lake...visiting with our pastors...come join the seniors from Vis, Liz and Pete's on Thursday, June 18th. We will travel by air-conditioned coach to Lake Jacomo, leaving from Visitation Church parking lot at 9:00 am and returning by 3:00 pm. The cost is just \$10 per person. Call Joanie McLaughin at 816.361.0913 today to make your reservation.

New to St. Elizabeth Parish? Register on June 18th

We invite all those interested in joining St. Elizabeth parish to join us Thursday, June 18th at 6:30 pm in the parish Ministry Center (northeast corner of Main and 75th Streets). The registration form is quick and we'll be happy to answer any questions you may have. You must be a registered parishioner for sacramental preparation. To sign up for this session call Sandi Lombardino at the parish office, 523.2405.

Eucharistic Minister to the Homebound

We are in need of an Extraordinary Minister of the Holy Eucharistic to take Eucharist to Holmesdale Nursing Home the 2nd Sunday of each month. If you are available and willing to help, call Bernie Knipp at 816.361.9163.

PLEASE NOTE

Out of reverence for the Lord and consideration for your fellow parishioners please turn off your cell phones before you enter the church.

Marriage Preparation

Marriage Preparation at St. Elizabeth is a 9-12 month process. Your journey towards the Sacrament of Marriage begins at an orientation session. Our next offering will be held Saturday, June 27th from 8:30 to 11:30 am in the school library. Registered parishioners who wish to attend this session or who have questions about marriage preparation should contact Sandi in the parish office at 523.2405.

Hospitality in Time of Need

Thanks to all who help with this wonderful ministry that serves those in need. Thanks to our May volunteers. We are most grateful for all you do.

The names of the volunteers for the month of June are:

FOOD COORDINATORS:

Connie Watson

FOOD PREPARERS:

Coly Bryant, Dorothy Flanagan, Jane Garrison, Mary Lou Holmes, Kathy Hoferer, Patty Legenza, Janet Wholey, Missy O'Connell, Eileen Sheehan.

If you are going to be out of town or unavailable please notify Sandi, 816.523.2405, in the parish office.

Pause for Prayer

Remember to pause and pray at 3:00 pm every day as part of our Pause for Prayer program. This week's prayers are for those impacted by the economy and the recession. If you would like to contribute an intention, please contact the parish office or Debbie Whittaker at 816.333.1278 or dwhittaker3@kc.rr.com.

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Our Parishioners and Loved Ones in the Military

We remember in our prayers the following loved ones of our parish family who serve in the military:

Zach Thomas, nephew of John & Rose Robarge; **Robert Sowders**, son of Jackie Sowders; **Jacob P. Hardman**, cousin of Manion Kuhns; **Tony Mischler**, son of Lynn & David Kelly; **Vincent C. Orlando**, grandson of Louis & Betty Weber; **Candace Pence**, granddaughter of Louis & Betty Weber; **Joe Sweat**, nephew of Mary Sweat; **Jeff and Joe Clairmont**, nephews of Louis Clairmont; **Major Ted Houdek**, Godfather of Robert Allmon; **Nicholas Arnold**, cousin of the Antoinette Ishmael family; **Jason Kurtenbach**, grandson of Anne Kurtenbach; **Stephen Sparks**, grandson of Mary Ann Sparks; **Colonel Robert Schmitt**, son of Teresa Kirschbaum; **Major Phillip Stauffacher**, brother of Peter Stauffacher; **Matthew Derks**, nephew of Dan and Alice Brock; **Sam Lord**, son of Terry and Kathy Lord, Captain J. P. Rauch, grandson of Betty Livers.

Save the Date

JUNE FEST

Sunday, June 14th, 4 ~ 8 pm.

Join us for our annual kick-off to summer right here at St. Elizabeth.

Meet new friends, enjoy great food and have fun with friends and family.

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council #14163. Volunteers needed.

Contact Jeff Jaax at 816. 444.6350.

About Town

Urban Ranger Corps

The Urban Ranger Corps needs volunteers, beginning June 8, to prepare "brown bag" lunches for Urban Rangers (14-18 years of age) during our nine weeks Summer Work Experience and Community Service Program. For many reasons (including the lack of a working refrigerator at home), many Rangers cannot bring a lunch to work. Sign up for one to four lunch days 32 lunches/day). Volunteers saved the Corps nearly \$5,000 last summer. Call Fr. John Wandless with questions or for details at 816.305.1879.

Theatre at Vis

Theatre at Vis will hold auditions for their summer youth musical, Bye Bye Birdie, on Monday, June 1 at 6pm in the school cafeteria. Anyone in 4th grade or older is invited to audition. Please bring a list of all summer conflicts through the end of July. For more information contact Tim or Sandie McCray at 816.444.7008.

Callings

An intimate portrait of ten individuals propelled by faith toward a calling premieres on KSHB NBC 41, at Noon, on Sunday, June 14. A collaboration of the Catholic diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph and award-winning documentary filmmaker John Altman, the documentary explores the inspirations and motivations guiding each subject. *Callings* will be distributed by the Interfaith Broadcasting Corporation's *Horizons of the Spirit* series to NBC affiliated stations.

Volunteer Opportunity

The St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store needs an accountant, approximately 10 hours per month. For further information, please call Gary Vontz at 816.444.6056.

Bishop Boland Golf Classic

Monday, June 8, 2009 - Hillcrest Country Club

Noon check-in

Gather your foursome now and register by calling Moira Kelly Healy at 816.714.2376 or mhealy@ccharities.com or www.catholiccharities-ksj.org.

Readings for the week of May 31, 2009

Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Rom 8:22-27/ Jn 7:37-39
Day: Acts 2:1-11/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27;16:12-15

Monday: Tb 1:3; 2:1a-8/Mk 12:1-12
Tuesday: Tb 2:9-14/Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday: Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a/Mk 12:18-27
Thursday: Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a/ Mk 12:28-34
Friday: Tb 11:5-17/Mk 12:35-37
Saturday: Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20/Mk 12:38-44
Next Sunday: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16-20

Mass Intentions for the Week

June 1, 2009

Monday

7:00 am Vincente Doan
 Requested by Mai Doan

Tuesday

7:00 am Belle Neenan
 Requested by Joe Neenan
 11:30 am Ed Stockbauer
 Requested by Katherine Stockbauer

Wednesday

7:00 am Vivienne Hasenyager
 Requested by Ed Hasenyager

Thursday

7:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the Shad Garnett Family
 Requested by Janet Garnett
 11:30 am Edwin & Rose Hagerty
 Requested by Norma Hagerty

Friday

7:00 am Geraldine Enneking
 Requested by Damian Enneking

Saturday

4:30 pm St. Elizabeth Parish Family

Sunday

7:30 am Mr. & Mrs. R. O. Porter
 Requested by Bob & Ann Courter
 10:00 am In Celebration of Ed & Virginia Lawless' 50th Wedding Anniversary
 Requested by The Lawless Family

Altar Cleaners for May

Mary Grantham/Loretto Hayes /Janice McMahon

Liturgical Ministries — May 30/31, 2009

4:30 pm Servers: Audrey Burdett, Nik Calia, Elena Rush
 Lectors: Toni Walters, Joe McShane
 EME: Kathy Haug, Lorene Faulconer, Norma Hagerty, Jim Van Dyke, Peggy Van Dyke

7:30 am Server: Bob Johnston
 Lectors: Doug Kinney, Mike Gabhart, Stuart Bintner
 EME: Sue Rhodes, Vince McInerney, Barbara Levitt, Mike Hayes, Kathy Colborne

10:00 am Servers: Matthew Murphy, Courtney Didier, Andy Ritz
 Lectors: Alex Roschitz, George Koppe
 EME: Charles Gosselin, Beth Cressey, Phil Murphy, Jodie Reiter, Bob Reiter, Mark Tapko, Julie Tapko

Weekday Servers:

May 25 -29

Michael Hart, Kelly Fletcher

June 1-5

Chloe Barrett, Rachel Kauffman



Vocations Cross Exchange

May 24 - Jim & Mary Meysenburg

May 31 - Steve & Colleen Sulzer

June 7 Jerry & Rose Wood & Ruth Smith

Please Pray for all the Sick:

Pease call back to let us know when your loved one is out of harm's way...816.523.2405.

Bernadine Hiebl, Dolph Schaefer, Judith Mayanja, Jana Moynihan, Helen Chappel, Paul Lark, Virginia Haake, Lois G., Mary K., Susan H., Doris Schworer, Regina Steinbacher, Maria Metz, Steve O'Halloran, Pete Egan, Fairy Palmer, Kathleen Cassidy, Liam McGillicuddy, Marilyn, Kathleen Matthews, Clarence Wiedel, Mary Jo and David Ryffe, Anne Quinly, Jacque Curry, Irene Hartl, Helen & Hank Maggard, Lucas Nedelco, and Alice Brock.

Please Pray for the Hospitalized:

Doris DePew, Kathy Burdolski, Marc & Sam Saviano.

Please Pray for those who have died and the consolation of their families.

Parish Blood Drive Coming

Did you Know...

- The Community Blood Center is the primary supplier of blood to local hospitals?
- The CBC needs to collect 580 pints daily to meet our community's needs?
- Red blood cells have a shelf life of only 42 days?
- Platelets must be used within 5 days?
- Donors are the only source for blood and its components?
- Our parish blood drive is right around the corner?

When:

Monday, June 8

Time:

3:00—7:00 pm

Where:

Seton Hall

Who:

Anyone at least 17 years old and in good health

Call 816.822.9297



Be a hero—give Blood.

Pentecost

Every year, Holy Name Cathedral in Chicago offers a special Mass for couples who are celebrating their fiftieth anniversary.

On the occasion of my in-laws' fiftieth, there were so many couples celebrating that family and friends were forced to watch the Mass from an adjoining building! The term Pentecost literally means "fiftieth" and was celebrated as a feast on the fiftieth day following Passover in the time of Jesus. Today, of course, we know and celebrate Pentecost as the birthday of the church, when the disciples were unified by the Holy Spirit and empowered as one to bring the Word to the world.

The final act of the New Covenant is the gift of the Holy Spirit, who is described as "Advocate" and "Spirit of truth." Jesus tells us in today's Gospel reading from John that all that God has given him will now be given to us. In this sense, the truth that we are given is the one truth which cannot be denied, and that is that the only path to the kingdom of heaven and the saving grace of our Lord is through true, unfaltering belief and love in Jesus Christ. And that truth is not to be kept to ourselves but joyfully shared with others without fear or doubt. It is up to us.

On the day of Pentecost, the church was given to the world through the power and presence of the Holy Spirit. "The gift of the Spirit ushers in a new era in the 'dispensation of the mystery,' the age of the Church, during which Christ manifests, makes present, and communicates his work of salvation through the liturgy of his Church" (CCC 1076). From a tiny spark 2,000 years ago, the church has blazed forth like a raging fire throughout the world. Each and every one of us who believes has been given a part in this celebration, a gift we cannot deny.